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February 5, 2010

The Honorable Mufi Hannemann
Mayor
City and County of Honolulu
530 S. King Street
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Mayor Hannemann:

Re: **BUDGET COMMUNICATION NO. 2**
Line-Item Details – Operating and Capital Budgets for Fiscal Year 2011

As has been common practice, please provide a detailed explanation of any item of more than \$50,000 in the upcoming Operating and CIP budgets. Similar to prior years, the City Council is committed to closely examining the FY 2011 budgets as part of our due diligence to the residents of our Island. In order to do so, the Council will need this detailed information provided with the budget on March 2.

This would, for example, entail a breakdown of current expense and equipment items over \$50,000 in the Operating budget. For example, in years previous, the line item details were lumped together under Object code #3009, "Other Contractual Services," however it was impossible to tell what services are actually being contracted. Rather than submit itemized questions for each department during the budget review process, I ask that you please provide all Councilmembers with this information with the submittal of the budget documents. Your assistance in getting this requested information to us expeditiously would streamline the review process and allow review of the budget to proceed more quickly and efficiently.

In the Capital Budget, appropriations over \$50,000 will need to be broken down for miscellaneous projects such as: ADA improvements, public building facilities improvements, rehabilitation of streets, landscape improvements, playfield lighting improvements, reconstruction of wastewater systems for various parks, renovation of recreational facilities, etc. Details of precisely what the monies will be used for need to be provided. Departments need to provide precise details for each line item breakdown and/or project.

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Your cooperation with this request would be much appreciated and would enable all of the members of the Council to serve the citizens of the City and County of Honolulu in a more efficient manner.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Nestor R. Garcia", written over a horizontal line.

NESTOR R. GARCIA, Chair
Committee on Budget